AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

- (Currently Amended) A process for producing an olefin polymer, comprising:
- carrying out solution polymerization of ethylene and one or more kinds of monomers selected from α -olefins at a temperature ranging from 120 to 300°C, wherein the charge mole ratio of ethylene and α -olefin is in the range of ethylene: α -olefin = 50:50 to 99.9:0.1, in the presence of a catalyst for olefin polymerization, said catalyst consisting essentially of:
- (A) a bridged metallocene compound represented by a general formula [I] described below,

wherein R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁸, R⁹, and R¹² are each a hydrogen atom, a hydrocarbon group, or a silicon-containing group, and may be identical or different, or neighboring groups

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may be bonded together to form a ring structure;

R⁶ and R¹¹ are identical to each other and are each a hydrogen atom, a hydrocarbon group, or a silicon-containing group, or may be bonded together to form a ring structure;

R⁷ and R¹⁰ are identical to each other and are a hydrogen atom, a hydrocarbon group, or a silicon-containing group, or may be bonded together to form a ring structure;

R⁶, R⁷, R¹⁰ and R¹¹ are not simultaneously hydrogen atoms;

R13 and R14 are each an aryl group, and may be identical or different;

M represents Ti, Zr or Hf;

Y represents carbon or silicon;

Q represents halogen, a hydrocarbon group, an anionic ligand, or a lone electron pair, and may be selected from an identical or different combination of neutral ligands capable of coordination; and

- i is an integer of 1 to 4, and
- (B) at least one or more kinds of compounds selected from the group consisting of
- (b-1) an organoaluminum oxy-compound, and
- (b-3) an organoaluminum compound, wherein said organoaluminum compound is selected from the group consisting of trimethylaluminum, triethylaluminum, tri(n-butyl)aluminum, trihexylaluminum, tricetylaluminum, triisopropylaluminum, triisopropylaluminum, tri(2-methylbutyl)aluminum, tri(3-methylhexyl)aluminum, tri(2-ethylhexyl)aluminum, tricyclohexylaluminum, tricyclooctylaluminum, triphenylaluminum, tritotylaluminum, tricyclooctylaluminum, triphenylaluminum, tritotylaluminum, diisopropylaluminumhalide, diisobutylaluminumhalide,

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> isoprenylaluminum represented by general formula (i-C₄H₉)_xAl_y(C₅H₁₀)_x wherein x, v. and z are positive integers, and z is in the range of z < 2x. isobutylaluminummethoxide, isobutylaluminumethoxide, dimethylaluminummethoxide, diethylaluminumethoxide, dibutylaluminumbutoxide, ethylaluminumsesquiethoxide, butylaluminumsesquibutoxide, partially alkoxylated alkylaluminum having mean compositions represented by general formula R^a₂ 5Al(OR^b)₀ 5, diethylaluminumphenoxide, diethylaluminum(2,6-di-t-butyl-4methylphenoxide), dimethylaluminumchloride, diethylaluminumchloride, dibutylaluminumchloride, diethylaluminumbromide, diisobutylaluminumchloride, ethylaluminumsesquichloride, butylaluminumsesquichloride, ethylaluminumsesquibromide, ethylaluminumdichloride, diethylaluminumhydride, dibutylaluminumhydride, ethylaluminumdihydride, propylaluminumdihydride, ethylaluminumethoxychloride, butylaluminumbutoxychloride, ethylaluminumethoxybromide, LiAl(C2H5)4, LiAl(C7H15)4, and (C2H3)2AIN(C2H3)AI(C2H3)2.

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3. (Previously Presented) A process for producing an olefin polymer, comprising: carrying out solution polymerization of ethylene and one or more kinds of monomers selected from α-olefins at a temperature ranging from 120 to 300°C, in the presence of a catalyst for olefin polymerization, said catalyst comprising:

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(A) a bridged metallocene compound represented by the general formula [I] described below.

wherein R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁸, R⁹ and R¹² are each a hydrogen atom, a hydrocarbon group, or a silicon-containing group, and may be identical or different, or neighboring groups may be bonded together to form a ring structure;

R⁶ and R¹¹ are identical and are each a hydrocarbon group or a silicon-containing group, or may be bonded together to form a ring structure;

R⁷ and R¹⁰ are identical to each other and are each a hydrocarbon group or a siliconcontaining group, or may be bonded together to form a ring structure;

R13 and R14 are each an aryl group, and may be identical or different;

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j is an integer of 1 to 4, and

- (B) at least one compound selected from the group consisting of
- (b-1) an organoaluminum oxy compound,
- (b-2) a compound which reacts with the bridged metallocene compound (A) to form an ion pair, and
 - (b-3) an organoaluminum compound.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The process of claims 1 or 3, wherein M represents Zr or Hf.